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FORESTS ABLAZE.

Reports of Disastrous Fires Along the Line of the Northern Pacific in Minnesota.

The Country Very Dry and From All Sections Come Reports of Great Damage

Forest Fires in Wisconsin Destroying Much Valuable Property and Endangering Cities.

DULUTH, May 4.-A dense cloud of smoke from burning brush and timber hangs over Duluth to-night, and it seems to be growing thicker. From meagre reports from all the surrounding country brought in by travellers and trainmen, forest fires of considerable magnitude and of a dangerous and destructive character are raging in nearly all directions from this city, within a radius of fifty miles and more. Cordwood, piles, telegraph poles, ties, etc., have been destroyed in many different localities, and in some instances settlers' houses and out buildings have been burned. The fire seems to be the worst on the line of the Duluth and Iron range, west to Thomson and south beyond Barnum, and on the Northern Pacific as far as Norman, twenty miles beyond the Northern Pacific junction. There are reports of damage from settlements back of this city, on the country roads from the Ashland division of the Northern Pacific and elsewhere. The limited from St. Paul this afternoon passed through fires on either side of the track from below Barnum. It was so hot and the smoke so dense the doors of the cars had to be kept shut. On one side of the track this side of Barnum a dwelling house was burning and on the other side the fire was in the stables and outbuildings. The Northern Pacific trestle near Walbridge, on the Superior line, was burned this morning. There has been so little rain fall in this section this spring that the country is very dry and the woods are an easy food for the flames. Unless rain comes very soon there is likely to be very great damage. There is but little wind, but the fire shoots ahead through the dry brush and wood at a terrible rate.

Northern Wisconsin Forests Ablaze. been destroyed in many different localities,

Northern Wisconsin Forests Ablaze. ASHLAND, Wis., May 4.—Furious fires are raging in the northern Wisconsin forests and unless a heavy rain soon falls there will be more loss to property than has been already reported. Railroad men

MUST BE NO DOUBT.

Attorney General Miller Explains the President's Views on Capital Punishment. WASHINGTON, May 4-Attorney Gen. eral Miller was questioned to-day in regard to the president's views on the subject of capital punishment, his recent acts of clemency to men under sentence of death at Washington having given rise to the impression that he was opposed to it. Mr. Miller said: "The president is not opposed to capital punishment, and in the murder cases referred to did nothing more or less than he should have done. He has none of that maudlin sympathy which will interfere with the just course of law, but he will fere with the just course of law, but he will see that a murderer's guilt is fully established before the extreme penalty is put into operation. I coincided with the president as to the commutation of Green's sentence, and I agreed with him as to the respites which have been granted Briggs and Colbert. What are my views on capital punishment? I favor it in all cases where the crime is proven beyond a doubt."

Retirement of Enlisted Men. WASHINGTON, May 4 .- The major-general commanding the army has published for the general information of the army, the regulations as amended concerning the retirement of enlisted men. In brief they provide for the combination of service in the army and marine corps in making up the army and marine corps in making up the thirty year period required for the re-tirement and for the payment to retired men of three-fourths of their full pay with-out deduction for "retained pay," but with a deduction of 12½ cents monthly for the support of the soldiers' home. The retired will not be entitled to any increase of re-enlisted pay beyond what has accrued at the date of retirement nor to commutation the date of retirement nor to commutation for fuel and quarters. Commutation for subsistence and clothing will be three-fourths of the allowance to men on duty.

Dynamite in the Stove. CHICAGO, May 4 .- The police were informed this afternoon of a dynamite outrage near the Grand Truuk railway tracks in the southern part of the city last night. A party of Italian laborers occupied an ned freight car. Yesterday they decided to go to New York and all left except Michael Rochi, between whom and the rest a feud existed. Before leaving one of them, supposed to be Joseph Doffabic, put a numer of track torpedoes into a stove, and when Rochi lighted a fire to cook his supper there was an explosion which burst the stove into a thousand pieces and wrecked the car. Rochi was dreadfully injured and is lying at the county hospital at the point of death.

Anticle Company of the Company of the Comptoir des Compte be cancelled. The American representatives have started for home.

Met and Adjourned.

New York, May 4.—The senate committee to sift the question of Canadian control in American railroads and the diversion of American traffic over Canadian lines, met this morning, but adjourned.

Bad Week for Crops. WASHINGTON, May 4-The weather crop bulletin for the week ending Saturday, May 4, says that the cool weather during the week retarded growth and was generally unfavorable to crops in the north-west and some damage is reported to fruit and gardens from that section and in the

The Morphine Route. SAN FRANCISCO, May 4 .- Wm. Henry, the reputed brother of Fanny Davenport, the actress, committed suicide to-day, using ties, has been adopted by both houses of morphine. The deceased was 53 years old. the Missouri legislature and awaits the The cause for his action is unknown.

COLE'S CHARGE.

The Illegal Taking of Land in Oklahom as Told to the Attorney-General

WASHINGTON, May 4 .- George W. Cole, of Chicago, who was in Oklahoma when that territory was thrown open to settlement, had a conference with the attorneygeneral this afternoon in regard to conduct of government officers on that occasion. According to his statement Marshal Jones, of Kansas, and nearly all of his 700 deputies, took illegal advantage of their official position to get possession of choice lands. Cole said he was on the spot and is prepared to substantiate his charges against Marshal Jones ond his deputies. He said further that Marshal Needles and his dep-uties of the Oklahoma district were alleged to be equally culpable in the matter, but as to be equally culpable in the matter, but as he was not personally cognizant of the facts so far as these officials were concerned, he did not care to be responsible for the charges against them. He had seen enough, however, during his stay of two days in the territory to convince him that certain persons had been given unfair advantages in securing claims and he believed it to be his duty to bring the matter to the attention of the proper authorities. The attorney-general assured him the matter would be thoroughly investigated. He said he had already heard enough to satisfy him that some crooked business had been perpetrated in Oklahoma, and he was determined the offenders should be brought to justice if possible.

COOK COUNTY'S DISGRACE

Woeful State of Affairs at the Publics Insane Asylum.

CHICAGO, May 4.—The grand jury to-day indicted Superintendent Kiernan and four attendants of the insane asylum for murder

attendants of the insane asylum for murder and abusing patient Robert Burns, causing his death within a few days after his admission to the asylum.

Contrary to expecation the grand jury today completed its work without indicting Dr. Tiernan, the superintendent of the Cook county insane asylum, as accessory to the murder of Lunatic Burns, fer which three asylum attendants are new awaiting trial. In an extended report on the condition of the asylum the jury attributes most of the evils there to the extremely overcrowded condition of the institution and the inadequate number of attendants. So horrible is the overcrowding, the report says, that a large number of inmates are obliged to sleep two in a bed three feet in width, and the beds haves to be so located for lack of room that many times the attendants, particularly in the female wards, must crawl over the patients in one bed to must crawl over the patients in one bed to give those attention who are in the bed be-

A CASE OF PANTS.

The Career of a Brilliant Son of Iowa Now

has been already reported. Railroad men arriving over the Omaha road to-night report from Ashiand to Clark Lake, 150 miles, all ablaze. Many thousand feet of ties have been destroyed and some towns are endangered. Over on the Fond du Lac Indian reservation \$5,000 worth of logs on skids were burned. The loggers who were interviewed to-night say they expect great losses if rain does not come pretty soon. This afternoon, in the eastern outskirts of Ashland, the flames in the woods gained such headway that assistance was asked of the citizens to protect property. A large force of men organized a bucket brigade and succeeded in preventing serious destruction of property, but 1,750 cords of wood were burned. Heavy clouds of smoke make the air heavy in the city, and on the lake it is like a thick fog.

The Career of a Brilliant Son of Iowa Now Under Arrest.

CHICAGO, May 4—C. B. Eshelman, who by personating his uncle, Reuben Eshelman, a well-to-do merchant of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, induced the Malone Pants company of Malone, N. Y., to send his on credit 300 pairs of fine pants, was arrested here to-day. As a travelling dealer in pants, Eshelman made a brilliant success, disposing of the whole stock through northern II-linois at fancy prices. With the proceeds he went into wheat at Chicago, but at the wrong time, losing \$1,500 in a day. He stole a ride to Council Bluffs and joined the Salvation Army. He was made captain within two weeks and then got drunk and was dropped by the army just twenty-four hours before the detectives reached town. was dropped by the army just twenty-four hours before the detectives reached town. At Duluth he made enough money as a vender of alleged eye water and tooth powder to bring him to Chicago. The culprit had employment on a lake steamer and was about to leave port when the offi-cers pounced upon him. Eshleman has been out of the penitentiary only since last fall, when he completed a two year's sentence in Missouri for attempting at St. Joseph to indulge without funds his penchant for

Harrison Zouaves. WASHINGTON, May 4-The Harrison zouaves of Chico, Cala., an organization composed entirely of forty-eight young ladies, which rendered effective service during the last campaign, has sent a photograph of the members in uniform to the president as a mark of their esteem. The photographs are tastefully arranged in lines of four in a large handsome gitt frame, which has been temporarily hung in the private secretary's office.

The Gun in Mississippi. GREENSVILLE, May 4 .- During an altercation this afternoon, Hugh Cunningham, special night watchman, was shot by Moses Weston, colored, and instantly killed. Another murder was committed to-night, John Kelley. a bartender, shooting and killing Lem Collier, an ex-policeman, belonging to the better class of colored people. The cause of the shooting was Collier's open sympathy with murderer Weston.

Fessenden Wants Heavy Damages Boston, May 4 .- S. W. McCaull, chairman of the judiciary committee of the Massachussetts legislature, as counsel for Samuel Fessenden, treasurer of the Cape Cod Ship Canal company, has sued the Boston Traveler for libel, laying the damages at \$100,000, on account of the publica-tion of a special dispatch from Sandwich, May 2, alleging Fessenden had mysterious-ly disappeared and hinting of financial ir-regularities.

Negotiations Concluded. Paris, May 4 .- The Temps says the negotiations between the liquidators of the Comptour des Compte and the English and American companies have been satisfactorily concluded; that the contracts will be

sion of American traffic over Canadian lines, met this morning, but adjourned until Monday without having accomplished

Americans Must Go. BERLIN, May 4.—The authorities of Schlesweig refuse to rescind the decree expelling certain German Americans from the islands of Amran and Tahr in the North sea.

The Australian Law. Sr. Louis, May 4.-The Australian election law with modifications to suit locali-

HALF A MILLION.

The Sum Paid P. W. McAdow by Helena Capitalists for the Spotted Horse Mine.

A. M. Holter and M. E. Downs Conclude the Deal Only After a Personal Investigation.

The New Company to Begin Operation May 20--How Other Helena People Once Lost the Mine.

GREAT FALLS, May 4 .- [Special to the Independent.]-A Lewistown dispatch to the Tribune says: P. W. McAdow, the owner of the Spotted Horse mine, writes from Maiden Tuesday to the Argus saying that "the mine is sold for \$500,000 and the parties will take possession about May 20.

The company is composed of thorough mining men, who have millions at their ommand. The ore shutes in the Spotted Horse are large and strong and it will undoubtedly be the best gold produce in Montana, if not in the northwest. He says also that there is good coal near Maiden. A. M. Holter and M. E. Downs, the former President of the Maginnis Mining Co., the latter [financial agent of the Jay Gould Mining Co., were in Maiden last week inspecting the Spotted Horse and Maginnis mines. It is the Jay Gould Co. who have bought the Spotted Horse mine. That bought the Spotted Horse mine. That company will also, it is said, absorb the Maginnis Co. and operate the whole group of mines around Gold Hill. Mr. Downs spent several days taking battery samples, etc., at the mill and measuring the ore in the mine, leaving for Helena Monday. He reports enough in sight to yield a large portion, if not all, of the purchase money. portion, if not all, of the purchase money. It is expected that the Jay Gould people will begin operations about May 20. It is their intention to overhaul and enlarge the present mill immediately, to put up twenty stamps, an air compressor, sink a shaft at the mine several hundred feet, and develop the property in every way.

The sale is regarded here as another proof of the growing importance of the mining interests of north Montana. The management of this mine has largely devolved on Mrs. McAdow, the wife of the owner, who was an invalid, but is now in better health. The ore is in part of a dark blue color, carrying abundance of free gold. About four years ago the mine was sold to Helena parties for \$30,000, but some hitch as to the title arose and the sale was not carried into effect. Since then the mine has been developed on a large scale and its productiveness demonstrated. The monthly yield has been at times \$25,000.

FAILED TO AGREE.

Foreign and American Copper Producers

N. May 4.-The Herald h column cable from Paris on the failure of that in cases of need 70,000 militiamer thi copper conference. The Rio Tinto company insists that the American mines should send only twenty per cent of their surplus copper to Europe, a proposition Col. Livermore, representing the Calumet and Hecla companies would not agree to. The correspondent says the conference failed to arrive at any agreement, written or verbal, and it broke up without fixing any price. The American committee left Paris in disgust and will sail for New York Saturday and by the time this message is printed copper will be put on the open market and sold for what it will bring.

Too Great an Immigration. WASHINGTON, May 4.—The department of state has been informed by the legation of Buenos Ayres that the chief of the Argentine bureau of statistics has prepared a tabular statement of the immigration to that republic, which shows that out of a that republic, which shows that out of a population of 4,000,000 1.375,000 have come to the country as immigrants since 1857, mostly from Italy. It is expected the arrivals for the current year will number 370,000. Difficulty is feared on account of the arrival of such large numbers so orders have been issued to its British agents to limit the number of departures to 200 a month.

Woolen Mills to Resume. BENNINGTON, Vt., May 4.-Jno. B. Holden, of Palmer, Mass., has purchased the Bennington woolen mills and will start them at once. It is said the purchase price was 8 per cent. of the original cost, which was \$1,000,000. The mill has been idle for over three years, the former owners hav-ing gone through bankruptcy. Their shut down cause a decrese of of 1,300 in the pop-ulation.

OCALA, Fla., May 4 .- A number of wo nen have been attacked recently by a tramp negro, who waylaid them with a knife after the manner of "Jack the Ripper." It is reported the body of a colored girl was found in the woods last night slashed horribly. The negroes are in arms searching for the murderer. He will be lynched if found.

A Touriof the Posts. WASHINGTON, May 4 .- Secretary Proctor, Adjt.-Gen. Drum and Col. Barr left this norning for a tour of inspection of the Leavenworth military prison and western military posts. The party will be joined at Chicago by Gen. Schofield.

Death of Paul McCormick's Boy. MILES CITY, May 4 .- [Special to the Independent.]-Guy, the 4-year-old son of Paul McCormick, died this morning at 4 o'clock at the Maqueen house. The two other children are convalesent.

The Coast Gets the Contract. WASHINGTON, May 4 .- Secretary Tracy to-day awarded to the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, the contract for constructing the great armored coast defense vessel at a cost of \$1,628,000.

Whitelaw Reid, minister to France,

SENTENCED TO HANG.

August Johnson Who Killed John L. Carlson to Hang June 28.

DEER LODGE, May 4 .- [Special to the Independent |- In the district court this afternoon the motion for a new trial in the case of the territory vs. August Johnson, for killing John L. Carlson, at Anaconda, last August, was overruled and he was 1889. The voice of Judge DeWolfe almost failed him at the time of passing sentence, so affected was he. Johnson, however, seemingly took the matter unconcernedly.

The motion for a new trial in the case of James Campbell for shooting at Theodore Milroy was also overruled and he was sentenced for five years. Both cases will go to the supreme court.

A SETTLED FACT.

The Combine of Big Rolling Mills in Illinois Completed in Every Detail

CHICAGO, May 4 .- The last formality in the much talked of merging of the three great steel manufacturing concerns of Illinois was completed without a hitch. The new corporation is called the Illinois Steel ompany, and constitutes the largest comination of steel interests in America. The capital stock is about \$25,000,000, of which \$8,000,000 has been paid in. The percentage of valuation of the old plants in the representation in the new company is, North Chicago Rolling Mill company, 59 per cent.; Joliet Steel company, 26 per cent.; Union Steel company, 20 per cent. The business of the company will be managed entirely by an executive committee chosen by the directors, following the Vanderbilt idea of vesting the control in the hands of Chicago and Joliet plant includes the mills at Milwaukee and the mines in Dodge county, Wisconsin, besides much other property. Chairman Potter said this evening the company proposed to keep all the plants running, avoiding a glut in the market by gradually diversifying more market by gradually diversifying more and more the company's product.

THE PRIDE OF THE NATION.

Captain Taylor Inspects the Militia With Satisfactory Results.

WASHINGTON, May 4 - Captain Taylor, who was directed by the secretary of war to observe the movements of the militia assembled at New York on the occasion of the centennial celebration, with particular reference to the ability of the various commands to concentrate at a strategic point in a short time, is now preparing a report. He was much pleased with the result and says fully 40.000 militiamen poured into the city without disturbance on time, and on an average of sixteen hours from the time they had started from their homes. As the troop trains were delayed by the regular passenger trains, and were in some cases sidetracked to permit other traffic to go on, Capt. Taylor regards the time made as highly favorable, and demonstrating could be assembled in New York within fifteen hours. The Fourth New York brigade, coming from outside the city, landed 2.134 men, their total strength being 2,250, at Weehawken, were ferried over the river, marched to Madison square, guarded and stacked arms, all in one hour and fifty minutes, and this, despite the fact that the ferry houses, stations and streets were jammed with people. Capt. Taylor also remarked upon the enthusiastic reception accorded by the public to the militia, clad in plain blue and with nothing but the regular army accoutrements.

Suspended for Five Years. WASHINGTON, May 4.—Secretary Tracy has approved the sentence of the courtmartial in the case of Lieut. William C. Strong, tried on board the United States steamer Tallapoosa at Montevideo in February on three charges, viz., drunkenness on duty, neglect of duty, and disobedience of orders. The court sentenced him to be suspended from duty for five years on half pay, to keep his present number on the list and to be publicly reprimanded by the secretary. In his endorsement Secretary Tracy calls attention to the fact that the accused has been tried for drunkenness before, and says the present sentence is very fore, and says the present sentence is very

The Danmark's Passengers. LONDON, May 4 .- The steamer Wieland sailed from the Azores April 27 for New York with the passengers of the lost

steamer Danmark left there by the steamer Missouri.

New York, May 4.—The steamship Weiland, from Hamburg, which stopped at the Azores to pick up the passengers of the steamer Danmark, left there by the Missouri arrived off Fire Island this after-

Gold Imports and Exports. NEW YORK, May 4.- Exports of gold from New York during the week were \$3,186,000, of which \$2,801,000 went to Europe. The imports of gold were \$504,658.

Given Up for Lost. PROVINCETOWN, Mass., May 4 -The schooner Nellie Swift, from the West Indies for New York, is given up for lost | The Barker miners deny indignantly the with all on board. She is now forty days

O'Brien and Harrington to be Released DUBLIN, May 4.-Orders have been issued for the release from jail of William O'Brien and Timothy Harrington

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Mrs. Harrison returned to Washington Count Tolstoi, Russian minister of the interior, is dangerously lil. The Brazilian parliament was opened by the emperor yesterday.

The comptroller of the currency has authorize the Brown National bank, of Spokane Falls, to begin business with a capital of \$100,000. The volcano of Vesuvius is in an alarming state of eruption. Streams of lava are pouring down the mountain on the Pom-

The weekly bank statement shows a reserve decrease of \$3,904,000; specie decrease, \$9,708,000. The banks now hold \$9,572,000 in excess of the 25 per cent rule.

SAMOA'S LANDS.

The Point Over Which the Conference at Berlin is Most Likely to Disagree.

sentenced to be hung Friday, June 28th, Foreigners Claiming More Land on the Island Than it Contains, According to Sewell.

> The Immunity Which Socialists Enjoy in Switzerland Likely to Cause That Country Trouble.

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BERLIN, May 4 .- A committee of the Samoan conference has prepared a draft of the proposal to constitute a court to decide questions of land tenure in Samoa. The court is to consist of one representative of each of the interested powers and two Samoese. Complications connected with existing tenures threatened to impede progress until the committee relegated the settlement of the questions to the proposed court. Sewell and Branders have been present daily at the sittings. Sewell proved the untenable character of a number of German land claims, and further showed that the extent of the land claimed by foreigners as bought or ceded was in excess of the area of the islands. Branders gave evidence on the validity of German land titles and said he desired to be heard on the losses of German planters. The committee decined to consider such losses as involving a question of indemnity. The Engvoiving a question of indemnity. The English and American delegates express satisfaction at the progress aiready made and all sides are hopeful the convention will'be concluded in June. The attitude of the English delegates will assist in the solution of the question. Before the conference it was suspected the entente between Berlin and London would tend to throw the balances against the American policy, but later developments warrant the belief that the English delegates have been instructed to join with the American representatives in opposing German pretentions sentatives in opposing German pretentions for special rights. The report that Sewall, Parker and Buckingham are recognized officially and are socially ignored is untrue. On the contrary, they are well received everywhere. A banquet to be given by the American commissioners, Wednesday, will be a brilliant affair. There will be present besides all the members of the conference the full diplomatic corps of all the countries having representatives at Rerlin

the full diplomatic corps of all the countries having representatives at Berlin.

The report of Dr. Knappe, ex-German consul at Apia, issued to-day a lame defense of his own conduct. In it Dr. Knappe charges the adherents of Mataafa with raiding German planters, and describes his efforts to induce the insurgents to abandon their position, which encroached upon the plantations. He says the disorders in Samoa were partly due to American incitement. The general tenor of the report and its publication at the present juncture suggest a latent intention on the part of Bismarck to persist in his indemnity demands. The appendix to the report gives the American consul's edict prohibiting the supplying of spirits to sailors.

The arrest in Switzerland and the expulsion from that country of Police Inspector Wohlgernath has suddenly assumed a serious aspect. The emperor presided at the ministerial council Thursday at which it was decided to demand an explanation of the affair from the Swiss government.

was decided to demand an explanation of the affair from the Swiss government. The North German Gazette declares Wohlger-nath went to Canon Clargon in the legal prosecution of his duties as a police inspector of the Mulhaus, and was arrested at the instance of a socialist, who was known to be working against the German police. The Gazette significantly adds: "Countries bordering on Switzerland must protect the merives against the translationary." tect themselves against the revolutionary efforts which the Swiss officials both toler-ate and promote". To-day the St. Peters-burg Svet says: "The recent bomb discov-ery at Zurieh demonstrates the necessity for foreign states to no longer permit Switzerland to harbor and protect murder-ers."

NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

Gibson and Collins the People's Choice-The May and Edna Sale.

GREAT FALLS, May 4 .- [Special to the Independent. |-Bishop Brondel has arrived here from St. Peter's Mission, where he was welcomed by the scholars, who paraded in uniform accompanied by the brass band composed of Indian youths.

Advices from the country report that a heavy vote will be polled for Paris Gibson and T. E. Collins, the democratic candidates, who are as popular with the miners and ranchmen as they are in town. It is supposed that Hon. R. S. Ford, of Sun River, will be one of the democratic nominess from the north Lewis and Clark district, which includes four Cascade county precincts.

Dr. Crutcher, secretary of the medical board, is issuing handsome certificates bearing the arms of Montana, to such physicians as have been approved by the

The Maiden stage is to arrive here two hours earlier, so as to connect with the Helena and Butte trains.

The amount paid for a two-fifths interest in the May and Edna mine in the Barker district was \$17,000. J. T. Armington was the buyer. statements made by Frank Barrett. They say that the ore is not found in pockets, that there is no slate in the district, and that the Wyandotte is not the best developed mine, as \$125,000 has been expended on two others.

Robinson Bound Over.

BILLINGS, May 4 .- [Special to the Independent]-C. G. Robinson, who was arrested a few days ago on the charge of arson in the third degree, in attempting to set fire to the Northern Pacific railroad bridge, was bound over to-day by United States Commissioner Campbell in \$800 to wait the action of the grand jury at the next term of court.

The Obituary Record.

Sr. Louis, May 4.-Major John N. Edwards, one of the editors of the Kansas City Times, and one of the best known newspaper men in the west, died suddenly in Jefferson City this morning from a stroke of paralysis.